

**COMPUTER
READABLE TAPE**

The following are specifications for reporting child support collections to CSES on magnetic tape:

- 9 track
- 1600 bpi
- ASCII or EBCDIC mode
- odd parity
- unsigned numeric fields
- unlabeled, without any beginning tape mark
- tape mark at the end of the data (signals end-of-file)
- 120-character records, 20 per block

Tape reels must have external labels showing:

- DSS-316 Report
- Friend of the Court Name and Address
- Friend of the Court County Number
- Federal Control Processing Standard (FIPS) number
- Collection Month and Year
- Date Sent